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eq	e amendment document filed on <u>17 December 2007</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the uirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following n(s) is required.		
ГНІ	FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  C. Other		
	<ul><li>2. Abstract:</li><li>A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.</li><li>B. Other</li></ul>		
	<ul> <li>3. Amendments to the drawings:</li> <li>A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> <li>B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required.</li> <li>C. Other</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>✓ 4. Amendments to the claims:</li> <li>☐ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present.</li> <li>☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims)</li> <li>☒ C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following status identifiers: (Original), (Currently amended), (Previously presented), (New), (Not entered), (Withdrawn) and (Withdrawn-currently amended).</li> <li>☐ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.</li> <li>☒ E. Other: See Continuation Sheet.</li> </ul>		
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-or	further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714.		
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Continuation of 4(e) Other: To further clarify item 4C, claims 3-6, 12, 13 and 15 are not properly identified as withdrawn. See Office action mailed 11-28-6

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